# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COAL
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4645
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COMPENSATION FOR LAND LOSERS
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**Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to commission Damodar River Diversion Area (DRDA) unit of C.C.L. under the Bokaro district of Jharkhand State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has paid compensation and employment to the land losers;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether coal production form this unit has not started so far;

(f) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the time by which coal production is likely to be started?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Damodar River Diversion (DRD), Phusro-Jarangdih Rail Diversion (PJRD) and Coal Mining Projects are three integrated projects proposed in this area. The Advance Action Proposal (AAP) for Damodar River Diversion was approved by Government in 1983 with a capital outlay of Rs.2.00 crores. Revised Cost Estimate (RCE) of Rs.5.59 crores was approved in 1993. The Project Report (PR) for Phusro-Jarangdih Rail Diversion Project was sanctioned in 1982 for a cost of Rs.15.93 crores. The RCE of the project was approved in 1991 for a capital of Rs.48.78 crores. Exploration is going on in order to decipher the geological structure as well as coal reserve in the Damodar River Diversion Area.

(c) & (d): Central Coalfields Limited has provided employment to 631 Project Affected Persons (PAPs) against land acquired for Damodar River & Rail Diversion Project. An amount of Rs.3,60,22,152.00 has been paid as compensation till date.

(e) to (g): Coal Production has not yet started. The project has been delayed due to demand of employment by project affected persons beyond the norms/provisions of rehabilitation & Resettlement (R&R) Policy of the Company. Coal production is likely to start in 2010-11 from this area.
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